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STAFF DEL LOWENSTEIN

FOL SENT ACTION SAIGON PARIS HONGKONG FROM DEPT DEC Ø1, 1969:

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STAF F DEL LOWENSTEIN (INITIAL MESSAGE)

SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FULBRIGHT ISSUING STATEMENT TODAY ANNOUNCING THAT HE SENDING TWO COMMITTEE STAFF CONSULTANTS JAMES G. LOWENSTEIN AND RICHARD M. MOOSE TO VIETNAM TO MAKE GENERAL STUDY OF POLITICAL AND MILITARY SITUATION, STATUS OF PACIFICATION AND PROSPECTS FOR VIETNAMIZATION.

ITINERARY FOLLOWS: ETA HONG KONG 2145 12/5 VIA NW 7: ETA SAIGON 12/7 VIA VN 784 (1830): ETA PARIS 12/18 VIA UT 1575 (0935) AND ETD 12/20 VIA TW 611 (1345) RETURN US.

PROVISIONS HANDBOOK CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL APPLY. MESSRS. LOWENSTEIN AND MOOSE AUTHORIZED USE LOCAL CURRENCIES 19FT510 FUNDS UP TO EQUIVALENT DOLS 50 PER DAY SUBSISTENCE PLUS ACTUAL TRANSPORTATION COSTS. MEET ASSIST APPOINT CONTROL OFFICERS SEN ATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORIZATION APPLIES.

SAIGON - REQUEST EMBASSY, CORDS, MACV BRIEFINGS BE AS INFORMAL AS POSSIBLE. WOULD LIKE SPEND SIX DAYS SAIGON, TWO DAYS I CORPS,

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TWO DAYS IV CORPS. SCHEDULE CAN BE DISCUSSED UPON ARRIVAL.
RESERVE TWO SINGLES CARAVELLE. CONFIRM. CATEGORY B APPLIES.

HONG KONG- SUBSEQ^I ENT CABLE CONTAINS MESSAGE FOR KARNOW. WOULD APPRECIATE CONGEN MAKING APPOINTMENT WITH SHAPLEN. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE BEING PROVIDED ON ARRIVAL WITH LIST HOME TELEPHONE NUMBERS RESIDENT AMERICAN JOURNALISTS.

RESERVE TWO SINGLE PENINSULA. CONFIRM.

PARIS- REQUEST FULLEST POSSIBLE BRIEFING DECEMBER 19 STATUS NEGOTIATIONS. FYI LOWENSTEIN ATTEMPTING ARRANGE THROUGH PRIVATE CHANNELS LUNCH WITH DEVILLERS AND SAINTENAY. END FYI REQUEST TWO SINGLES CRILLON. CONFIRM. ROGERS UNQUOTE RICHARDSON

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